SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, April 13, 2015

6:00 pm

HAMPDEN TOWN OFFICE

AGENDA

- 1. MINUTES 3-9-15
- 2. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Parks Update
 - b. Cable TV Equipment Update
 - c. Children's Day Status
 - d. Veteran's Memorial Request for Town to assume Additional Information
- 3. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Saturday Bus Service
 - b. Penquis CAP Lynx-Marcia Larkin
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, March 9, 2015

Attending:

Mayor David Ryder

Councilor Carol Duprey Councilor Dennis Marble

Councilor Greg Sirois

Thomas Brann

Pool Director Darcey Peakall

Councilor William Shakespeare

Councilor Terry McAvoy Councilor Stephen Wilde

Susan Lessard, Town Manager

Janet Hughes

Papermill Park Vol. Coordinator Jeremy Jones

The meeting was opened at 6 p.m. by Chairman McAvov.

1. MINUTES – 2/10/2015 – The minutes of the 2/10/15 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Parks Update The Town Manager provided requested information related to replacement cost for the charcoal grills at Dorothea Dix Park. They can be purchased already built for less than the Town could have them made for at a metal shop so the Town will move forward with purchasing four new ones to be installed when the park is open again. Also, there will be a meeting on March 26th at 6:30 at the Skehan Center to begin discussions of a recreation plan for the Town. Everyone is invited to attend.
- b. Cable TV Equipment Needs Update The Town Manager reported that she and the Town Clerk and GIS/IT Specialist had met with Rodney Verrill from NESCOM and gotten information related to the cost for cameras, sound, and broadcast equipment of approximately \$65,000. However, that cost could be reduced somewhat if lighting issues in the council chambers were addressed. She also informed the Committee that Time Warner was not being cooperative with the Cable Consortium in terms of moving forward with new cable contracts for the communities that are part of the Consortium. There is no way to know when the Town will receive the \$50,000 from Time Warner that is connected to the new contract that was discussed for use to pay for this project. Also discussed was whether this project should be put out to bid. The Committee will discuss this aspect when it has more information. The Manager will report back to the April Services meeting with more information.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Pool Director/Review of Current Budget & Operations Pool Director Darcey Peakall attended the meeting and answered questions from Committee members related to hours of operations, staff wages, and program offerings. There was some discussion and disagreement as to whether or not this session was necessary given that budget discussions will be held in another month or two.
- b. Flag Project Request for Town to assume Dr. Allison Berube had emailed the Town Manager requesting that the Town take over the flag project that was started a number of years ago. The history of the project was discussed

and concerns raised over the Town adding additional costs to its operations. It presently operates that the group had been putting up the flags in the Spring and replacing any that were damaged and the Town had them taken down when the Christmas decorations were put up in November. The group has \$1491.36 remaining in its treasury that would be turned over to the Town. Motion by Councilor Duprey, seconded by Councilor Marble to recommend to the Council that the Town take over the flag project until funds run out for its operation. Unanimous vote in favor.

- c. Veteran's Memorial Request for Town to assume Dr. Berube also sent an email requesting that the Town take over responsibility for adding names to the Veteran's Memorial and selling pavers for it. The treasury has \$5,069.31 that would be turned over to the Town. Several questions were raised in regard to the monument that the Committee wants answers for before making a decision. The Manager will get information related to the cost for engraving names on the monument, the cost of pavers to buy and the price that pavers are sold for, as well as information related to the 'rules' developed for inclusion of names on the monument and whether there are names waiting to be engraved. The Manager will report back at the next meeting.
- d. Children's Day Status Former Mayor Janet Hughes and former Councilor Thomas Brann attended the meeting seeking information about the status of Children's Day and expressed the desire to see if there was any way that the event could be held this year, even as a scaled-down version. The difficulty with finding volunteers was discussed, as was fundraising, assisting at the event, and cleanup. Janet Hughes asked the Committee for another month to investigate options and would come back to the Committee with information at their next meeting.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS None
- 5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Lessard Town Manager

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Susan Lessard <manager@hampdenmaine.gov>

flag and monument proposal

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To: Susan Lessard <manager@hampdenmaine.gov>

Thu, Mar 12, 2015 at 11:48 AM

We have some names to be carved I think about 15. Craig Snow is summarizing those and we will arrange for the names to be carved onto the monument before turning over the monies. The spare pavers are already down at Provost Monuments in Benton. When we get an order for a paver (which is not very often) I email the grid form to them or a mail a hard copy of the grid form to them. Provost carves it and he delivers it when he is up this way. Then we remove the paver that is in place and put the new carved paver into the open spot. I then drop the removed paver back to Provost when I am passing by...but again I am sure that the owner of Provost would be willing to pick up the paver when he is in the Bangor area. I am NOT exactly sure what he would charge us to carve the pavers now....I raised the price of the 12x12 to 250 dollars (I think the cost of carving was 125 last time. And the cost of the 12x24 is now 500 dollars and the cost of carving would be about \$250...so we make \$125 and \$250 respectively for each new paver that is ordered. That money goes into the fund for future carvings to the monument which is always FREE to any veteran who qualifies to have their name carved on the monument. (the veteran must enter the military while living in Hampden and must have some active duty(not just the reserves). (They DO NOT have to provide any official information...just their word that they lived in Hampden when they entered the military(so people who move to Hampden and are already in the military DO NOT qualify).

We have been collecting names for this next carving of the monument for at least 4 years now(so the carving is not very often). The cost to carve would depend on the number of names...(we send the list of names to Provost and where on the monument they will be carved for example 2 names under WW2 and 5 under the War on Terror. (Then Provost gives us the cost). I think in the past it was around 1000-1500 dollars per. Time that Provost has come up to add names. (It is important to use Provost to assure that the font and size specifics are uniform.)

We have NOT advertised for names lately. I used to ask that Hampden Academy put it into their graduating Seniors information and I would remind the guidance counselors to tell students entering the military to give us their information once they finished basic training and went active duty. An easy way to advertise, as it were would to be a small article in the Hampden quarterly newspaper each Spring to remind people to add their names.

I would be happy to write up an article for the next Hampden newspaper to remind people of the monument and the ability to purchase pavers.

We have a VERY simple piece of paper and I ask the questions of the veteran when they call me to add their names. It includes...highest rank obtained, branch of the military and the year that they entered the military (We double and triple check the correct spelling of the name). We will turn over this info. To the town (probably in a binder) so that if in the future people want information on our veteran's they can access it. Craig Snow has ALL of the current names on an excel form on his computer (older version of excel). He plans to summarize all the names (and where they are on the monument) and list them alphabetically. (he also plans to print a hard copy and put it into a binder).

It really is VERY LITTLE work to collect the names, offer the grid form, via email if someone wants a paver, keep track of the names and when you get enough to carve(when it is worthwhile for them to come up from Benton), and place the pavers. Hopefully the monies will grow and when/if another large addition to the monument is needed there will be enough money to purchase the granite(hopefully many ,many years from now). I would be happy to help place the next few pavers and show the grounds crew how to do it(currently we have NONE ordered). I just feel that it would be best for the Town to take over the finances as the person who has been keeping track of our financial at the VFW is older and in poor health.

I hope that answers all of your questions. Please do not hesitate to call me or email with any further questions.

Respectfully,

Dr. Allison Berube

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BUS RIDERSHIP TOWN OF HAMPDEN

Hampden Bus Ridership 11/12 - 13/14 Fiscal Years

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